MASSACHUSETTS BAY TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY
TRANSPORTATION BUILDING
10 PARK PLAZA
BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS 02116-3975

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Sealed bids for MBTA **Contract No. R53CN01, NORTH CAMBRIDGE ELECTRIC TROLLEY BUS FACILITY IMPROVEMENTS - PHASE I, NORTH CAMBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS**, will be received by the Director of Contract Administration, at the Contract Administration Office, 5th Floor, Room 5610, Transportation Building, 10 Park Plaza, Boston, Massachusetts, 02116-3975, until two o'clock (2:00 p.m.) on **March 11, 2004**. Immediately thereafter, in a designated room, the Bids will be opened and read publicly.

The work consists of replacement of two (2) in-ground lifts, shoring of one inspection pit, and one (1) set of mobile lift plates and anchors.

Bidding documents may be obtained from the Contract Administration Office at the address above from 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., beginning on **February 17, 2004**, Monday through Friday, at a charge of $50.00 per copy. The Authority's STANDARD SPECIFICATIONS, BIDDING AND CONTRACT REQUIREMENTS AND DIVISION 1 - GENERAL REQUIREMENTS dated November, 1983, is available at a charge of $5.00 per copy. Authority's STANDARD SPECIFICATION, CONSTRUCTION, dated January 1980, is available at a charge of $15.00 per copy. Bidding documents will be sent upon request and receipt of an additional fee of $15.00, payable by separate check. Bidding documents will be forwarded by AirFreight, where such service is available, at the expense of the plan holder. NONE OF THESE CHARGES ARE REFUNDABLE.

Bidders attention is directed to Appendix 1, Notice of Requirement for Affirmative Action to Insure Equal Employment Opportunity; and to Appendix 2, Supplemental Equal Employment Opportunity, Anti-Discrimination, and Affirmative Action Program in the specifications. While there is no DBE goal associated with this Contract, the Authority strongly encourages the use of Minority, Women and Disadvantaged Business Enterprises as prime contractors, subcontractors and suppliers in all of its contracting opportunities.

Bidders will affirmatively ensure that in regard to any contract entered into pursuant to this solicitation, minority and female construction contractors will be afforded full opportunity to submit Bids and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, religion, sex, age, or national origin in consideration for an award.

Bidders will be required to comply with Federal Equal Employment Opportunity Regulations and the President's Executive Order No. 11246 and any amendments or supplements thereto.

Authorization for the Bidders to view the site of the work on the MBTA's property shall be obtained from the Project Manager, **Mr. Erik Scheier, 45 High Street, Boston, MA 02210**, **Telephone No. (617) 222-3214.** The Authority will conduct an inspection tour of the site on **February 23, 2004**. Bidders are requested to be present in front of the North Cambridge Electric Trolley Bus Facility at 2375 Massachusetts Avenue, North Cambridge, Massachusetts, 02140, at 9:00 a.m. to participate in the tour. Bidders are advised that they should have representation at this tour as no extra visits are planned.

A prebid conference will be held on **February 23, 2004** at 1:00 p.m. at 10 Park Plaza - Conference Rooms 5 & 6. Any request for interpretation of the Plans and Specifications should be submitted in writing at the same time.

Bidders will be required to certify as part of their bids that they are able to furnish labor that can work in harmony with all other elements of labor employed or to be employed on the work.

This Contract is subject to minimum State wage rates as well as all other applicable labor laws.

Bid Guaranty shall consist of a bid deposit in the amount of five (5) percent of the value of the bid, in the form of a bid bond, cash, certified check, treasurer's or cashier's check.

The successful Bidder shall be required to furnish a Performance Bond and a Labor and Materials Payment Bond each for the full amount of the Contract price.

The Authority reserves the right to reject any or all Bids, to waive informalities, to advertise for new Bids or proceed to do the work otherwise, as may be deemed to be in the best interests of the Authority.
This information may be viewed at the MBTA website:

http://www.mbta.com/business_t/bidding.asp/

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Date: **FEBRUARY 17, 2004**

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